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In re Application of: Gray

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), please grant any extension of time that this paper requires but no accompanying paper requests. Also, please charge any additional fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 06-1448, Reference DGD-001.01.

Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the restriction requirement made in the Office action dated March 23, 2006. Because both Inventions are classified in Class 705, simultaneous examination of both Inventions would not place an undue burden upon the Examiner. To comply with the Rules, however, Applicants provisionally elect the claims of Group I, namely, claims 1-12. In making this election, Applicant expressly reserves the right to prosecute the unelected claims in a divisional application.

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